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Application No.:       10/767,470                            Art Unit:            2825  
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For:                    METHOD OF OXIDIZING WORK PIECES AND OXIDATION  
                             SYSTEM

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

A Notice of Allowance for the above-identified patent application has been issued with a January 21, 2005 due date for payment of the issue fee.

The undersigned courteously requests amendment of claim 8 to establish proper multiple dependency. This Amendment is being requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.312 prior to payment of the issue fee.

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